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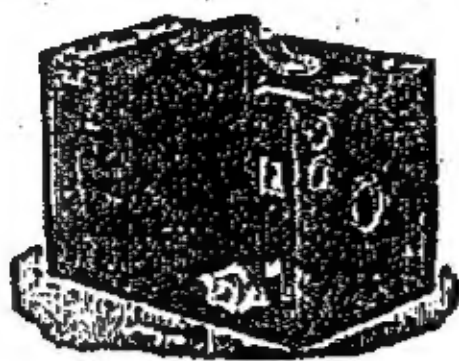
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On 10th April, at Hankow, the wife of F. L. HARRISON, of a daughter.

On 17th April, at Shanghai, the wife of Captain W. E. CHANCE, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES

On 20th March, at Shanghai, the Rev. G. H. SEVILLE, to JESSIE M. GREENE, both of Wanchow.

On 20th April, at Shanghai, JOHN LENOX, to JOANNA LOUISA FANNY BLOOMFIELD.

On 20th April, at Shanghai, ROBERT CHIDLAND FARRIDGE, to LILIAN STUART WALSH.

DEATHS

On 8th April, at Wanchow, HELEN ISABELLA, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. ROBERT BOKLAND, aged five years and eight months.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DE VOUX ROAD, CL.
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, APRIL 26TH, 1905.

Two billions, five hundred and ninety-seven millions, six hundred thousand—that was the estimated number of letters delivered in the United Kingdom during the year 1903-4. Add postcards, newspapers, and other kinds of postal packets, and the grand total attained is put at 4,300,900,000. The average number of letters delivered to each person was 61.2; or of postal packets generally, 101.3 to each individual. Of all these only 26,707,983 were undelivered, "for want of proper addresses." Any one of these undelivered missives could be traced on enquiry, so perfect is the system and the administration of this colossal concern. The number of letters going astray, or of enquiries for letters alleged to have gone astray in the post, is so small in proportion to the quantity handled, that it would require several decimals to give the correct ratio. So profound is the confidence of the general public in the Post Office, that if a person is satisfied that his letter has been actually deposited in any one of the 22,850 post offices of the United Kingdom, he or she has no further concern as to its

fate. It is, granted that it is sufficiently addressed, a practical certainty that it will be delivered in due course to the right place and party. Only nineteen millions of letters were registered last year, a further indication of public confidence; and the number is said to be decreasing. All classes of unregistered packets, except newspapers, show an increase. The increase per cent. in the volume of postcards was as high as 25.5 per cent., chiefly due, of course, to the picture postcard craze. Slackness of trade, and the great extension of the telephone system, affect the volume of post office business in England; but there is no recent record of its ever having suffered by reason of lack of public confidence.

The Hongkong Post Office is a fleabito to the G.P.O., and the statistics of its turnover, were they available, would appear contemptible in comparison with the figures just quoted. Yet to Hongkong, consideration of its system and administration is of greater interest and importance than those figures from the Home country. Its revenue last year was \$66,541.08 less than the estimated receipts \$475,000. The sum of \$316,758.56 (\$31,484.44 less than the estimate), was expended. The profit on last year's working of the local post office is thus shown to be \$91,702.86. We have just elaborated and emphasised the British confidence in the British post office. In view of the amount paid locally for its services, and in view of the profits it is making, we have a right to ask if there is a corresponding confidence in the local system and administration. If there is not, we may anticipate a decrease. Locally, the chit-oodle will then threaten purely local postal business, as the telephones have done in the large cities of Great Britain. We do not profess to speak at present for the whole public of Hongkong; but we are in a position to announce that in certain quarters there is not the feeling of confidence there ought to be, but a growing feeling of distrust. Complaints in the Press have been so numerous as to provoke a remonstrance from the Postal officials, who said on one occasion that if the public would make its complaints direct, they would be more sure to obtain results. We would very much like to be informed how many private complaints have been received and dealt with last year, or in the first quarter of the present year. We make these observations now in the hope that an official enquiry will be made. In the meantime, we would be glad to receive communications from correspondents, either confidential or for publication, of reasonably authenticated cases of letters, etc., going astray. We will not refer to the complaints from North China and Japan about the local method of despatching mails. That can wait. We will not dwell upon the notorious fact that the local postmen, when accosted by an enquiry if there be any letter for the speaker, are in the habit of cheerfully handing over to Tom, Dick, or HARRY the whole bundle, and bidding him "look-see." We may, however, mention two typical instances to illustrate the indictment that will be forthcoming if there be any proper enquiry, and if the public offers evidence. In the first case, an old and trustworthy servant was sent to a pillar box not fifty yards from the house to post a letter for town delivery. It is certain that it was correctly addressed and sufficiently stamped, both from the evidence of the sender and the admission that no such letter is retained at the post office. It is almost humbly certain that the letter was posted as alleged. Complaint was addressed to the Postmaster on 10th April, two or three days after the posting, and elicited an enquiry as to who posted the letter. No further report has been received, and the missing letter has not yet reached its destination a few minutes distant. In the second instance there is another local letter missing, certified to have been posted in person by the same European to whom the first was addressed. It was posted at six p.m. on the 21st inst., in the head-office box that is labelled "town delivery"; it was correctly addressed to a well-known house in Caine Road; and it was properly stamped. It has not yet been delivered. It should perhaps be stated that another letter posted at the same time and place, also for town delivery, was received by the addressee about eleven o'clock the next morning. This case has not been reported to the local post-office. So little satisfaction is the outcome of the trouble involved that it is unlikely to be reported. Our point is that the failure of only one letter, properly stamped and addressed, to reach its addressee, is regrettable; that two, within a short period, belonging to one citizen, going astray is a very bad sign; and

that the presumption is that such cases are more numerous than is suspected. Is it possible to discover to what extent these disturbing fears are well founded? In case the post office is not in a position, or refuses, to divulge the number of complaints received in a given period, may we rely upon the public to offer what evidence it can in its own obvious interests?

The English Mail of the 25th March was delivered in London on the 22nd instant.

Plague cases in Calcutta are averaging 100 daily. The authorities are closing the schools as several students have been attacked.

Baron Komura, Minister of the Foreign Office, has issued a notice to the effect that a Japanese Consulate was opened at Changsha, China, on the 1st inst.

The Japanese authorities have established post offices at Chingja, Mapbo and Hodo, in Korea, and opened them to the public on the 1st inst.

Mr. Harry Halton Fox, of the British Consular Service in China, is announced to marry Miss Noot, a grand-daughter of Sir A. Hickman, M.P. for Wolverhampton.

The *Bourse Gazette* declares that Russia has only one ally at present, namely Time. And, we may add, the Baltic Fleet is busily engaged in killing that ally.

The last weekly plague return records a total of 29 cases. One subsequent fatality makes the year's list number 30. Small-pox cases are two Chinese and one Indian.

For removing stone from Crown land at Pienio Bay, near Aberdeen, a Chinaman was yesterday fined \$30 at the Police Court by Mr. F. A. Hazeland.

A quantity of illicit opium was found on Monday in one of the cabins of the s.s. *Prinz Edil* Frederick occupied by seven Chinese firemen. The men were charged before Mr. F. A. Hazeland at the Police Court yesterday with being in possession of same, but as none of them would give evidence as to who was the owner, His Worship fined each of the defendants \$25.

Official statistics have been published showing the number of Germans residing in foreign countries. The United States leads the list with a total of 3,000,000; after which the proportion is: Great Britain and her Colonies, 150,000; Austria-Hungary, 120,000; Switzerland and Russia, each 100,000; France, 90,000; Belgium, 40,000; Holland, 30,000; Brazil, 50,000; other countries approximately, 100,000.

Eleven shareholders addressed a joint letter to Mr. J. R. Twiss, managing director of S. C. Farman Boyd & Co., Ltd., asking for definite information about the "firm offer" to purchase the Company's property, for the personnel of the offering London Syndicate, and for a special meeting to be called. The reply was that no meeting was necessary, and the information asked for was withheld. The shareholders replied that the directors had lost the confidence of the shareholders, who had a right to demand a meeting, and they published the correspondence.

Eleven Chinese were placed before Mr. F. A. Hazeland at the Police Court yesterday, eight charged with attempting to steal away on the s.s. *Nicomedia* with the object of landing in Portland, Oregon, U.S.A., and three with aiding and abetting the said stowaways. Mr. P. V. Goldring (of Mr. Branton's office), appeared for the first aider and abettor, Mr. H. K. Holmes for the second, and Mr. Otto Kong Sing for the third. The stowaways and the second and third aiders and abettors were discharged, while the first was remanded until the return of the *Nicomedia* to this port, bail being allowed in the sum of \$5.

A sailor from H.M.S. *Abdiol* was charged before Mr. G. N. Orme at the Police Court yesterday with behaving in a disorderly manner and destroying property at the Main Hotel on Monday night. He was fined \$2 on the first charge, \$3 on the second, and ordered to pay \$5 compensation. Another seaman named Gilcepi, under the influence of liquor, terrorised a number of passers-by in Western Street on Monday night, by taking possession of the street and brandishing an empty rum bottle. When P. C. 69 went to arrest him, he charged at him with the bottle, a swinging blow just missing the constable's head. Charged before Mr. G. N. Orme at the Police Court yesterday morning with being drunk and disorderly, he was fined \$3, with the alternative of seven days imprisonment.

The s.s. *Lightning*, which arrived from Singapore on Monday, landed over nine Chinese stowaways to the Police. Some of these men are believed to have been amongst a number who escaped from goal at Singapore some weeks ago. On board, before they were arrested, they are alleged to have robbed several of the passengers. When the crew attempted to arrest them they showed fight, and one of the stowaways, getting in the hold amongst the cargo, had to be "laid out" before he could be secured. He was then put in irons until arrival at Hongkong. The men were placed before Mr. F. A. Hazeland at the Police Court yesterday and charged with stowing away. The cases were remanded. One of the defendants was then charged before Mr. G. N. Orme with larceny of a passenger's clothing. He was found guilty and sentenced to two months imprisonment and six hours' stocks, and at the expiration of his sentence to be returned to Singapore.

Yesterday morning an unknown European male was found by the Police lying in Murray Road, Wanchai, in an apoplectic fit. He was at once removed to the Government Civil Hospital, but expired during the afternoon.

Return of visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending the 23rd April, 1905, were 202 non-Chinese, and 96 Chinese to the former, and 68 non-Chinese, and 1,421 Chinese to the latter institution.

An association has been founded in Paris for the benefit of Chinese students. The "Association des Etudiants Chinois en France," as it is called, has opened a club in the Rue Vanneau, and the Chinese Minister in Paris has accepted the chairmanship.

It is doubtful, comments the *N. C. Daily News*, whether we have ever had an American Minister in China who has done so much good work, and been so universally respected by natives and foreigners as Mr. Conger, who is about to leave Shanghai for his new post.

A Russian prisoner-of-war was court-martialled at Osaka on the 4th inst. for stealing a gold watch and other personal effects belonging to fellow prisoners. He was found guilty and sentenced to imprisonment for ten months, to be followed, says the *Nagasaki Press*, by police surveillance for six months.

A Tokyo despatch to the *Osaka Asahi*, under date the 5th inst., says that the money which the Government has given to the families of soldiers who have been killed or died of wounds or disease at the front since the outbreak of the war, has reached the sum of Yen 10,000,000, divided among some 20,000 families.

A Chinese woman employed at Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's shipyard at Quarry Bay was yesterday run over by a locomotive. Her right leg was completely severed, and she received other serious injuries on her head, shoulders and breast. She was taken to the Government Civil Hospital, but died shortly after admission.

A number of picture postcards are going through the post with imitations of Hongkong postage stamps on the picture side. We are asked, says the *Shanghai Daily News*, to warn those who send these cards that they cannot be forwarded through the British Post Office, the presence of imitations of actual postage stamps being contrary to the regulations.

In the final statement issued by the Bank of Japan concerning the Fourth Domestic Loan, it is reported that foreigners, chiefly British, Americans and Chinese, subscribed nearly Yen 90,000,000; of this 45 millions were offered at more than issue price, so that it is probable that nearly one-half of the loan will be allotted to foreigners.

At a recent conference of the Grand Council at Peking it was decided that in addition to an Imperial Resident in Lhasa, a Tartar General must also be appointed to that city to maintain China's control over that tributary State. This Tartar General will command the usual Division of Manchu troops consisting of five foot battalions, four cavalry regiments, and two batteries of artillery.

The marriage took place on Thursday, reports the *Japan Mail*, of Miss Fanny Heath Eldridge, daughter of the late Dr. Stuart Eldridge to Mr. Sophus Warming, Danish Consul in Yokohama. Christ Church was beautifully decorated for the occasion, the floral arrangements being most ornate. Rev. W. P. G. Field conducted the service and the bride was given away by her mother, Mrs. Eldridge.

"We Japanese," the Japanese Minister at Paris is supposed to have said, "have for many generations sent to Europe exquisite lacquer-work, delicately carved figures, beautiful embroidery, and many other commodities which show how artistic we are; but the Europeans described us as 'uncivilised.' We have recently killed some seventy thousand Russians, and every European nation is wondering at the high condition of civilisation which we have attained."

The captain of the steamer *Knisberg* reports that on the 7th instant in Howk Channel, Bamboo Island, bearing N.E., he exploded a drifting mine. On the 15th inst. in Lat. 34.22 N., Long. 121.50 E., a long way south of the Shantung Promontory, he exploded an enormous drifting mine, nearly ten feet in diameter. He fired at it at a distance of something over 150 yards, and fragments of it fell on his deck. This is one of the largest yet reported.

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

At the quarterly meeting held during the Easter Holidays the following cards were returned.

MADEWEN CUP.
Mr. J. Johnstone ... 85 - 4 = 81 winner
Mr. F. R. Barry ... 84 - 4 = 80
Mr. T. C. Gray ... 83 - 9 = 84
Mr. S. Fulcher ... 82 - 8 = 84

25 entries.
MARTIN CUP AND ROGEEY.
Mr. J. Johnstone ... 2 down winner
Mr. S. Fulcher ... 3 down
Mr. C. M. G. Burnie ... 4 down
Mr. T. S. Forrest ... 4 down
Mr. F. R. Barry ... 5 down
Mr. T. C. Gray ... 5 down

29 entries.
FOOT.
Dr. G. M. Hamilton ... 93 - 18 = 75 winner
Mr. C. M. G. Burnie ... 89 - 18 = 71
Mr. J. Johnstone ... 85 - 4 = 81
Mr. T. S. Forrest ... 79 - 4 = 83
Mr. F. R. Barry ... 84 - 9 = 84
Mr. T. C. Gray ... 83 - 9 = 84
Mr. G. C. Moxon ... 103 - 18 = 85

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTERS SERVICE.]

THE GERMAN MISSION TO FEZ.

LONDON, 23rd April.
The German Mission is preparing to start for Fez; the tribes along the road are arranging great festivities in its honour.

("N. C. Daily News" Service.)

JAPANESE DEFENSIVE MEASURES.

TOKYO, 17th April.
The Japanese authorities at Tientsin, Corea, have announced the establishment of a defensive zone there, warning steamers of the danger of navigating at a speed of over five knots.

THE WAR.

[REUTERS SERVICE.]

THE RUSSIAN BALTIC SQUADRON.

LONDON, 23rd April.
The correspondent of the *Paris Temps* at Saigon wired at 10.40 on Sunday morning that all the Baltic fleet had left Kamranh. At noon on Saturday a violent cannonade was heard off the Bay, and it was supposed that an engagement had taken place with the Japanese scouts.

FRENCH NEUTRALITY.

LONDON, 23rd April.
Four Russian transports are at Saigon. The Governor of Saigon has prohibited four Russian steamers from embarking a large quantity of coal consigned to them, and only permitted them to embark sufficient for a voyage.

BALTIC FLEET NEWS.

The s.s. *Quinta* arrived here from Saigon with a cargo of rice yesterday afternoon. She reports that when she left port on the 21st instant four transports were at Saigon loading coal and provisions for the Baltic Fleet.

When she arrived off Camranh Bay on the 22nd instant eight Russian warships and a large number of transports were inside, and a Russian cruiser patrolling outside. No signal was made.

The s.s. *Chow Tai*, which arrived from Bangkok yesterday, on the 21st instant, one day previous to the *Quinta*, saw a number of Russian warships in Camranh Bay.

AN EXPLANATION.

It is now suggested that the only foundation for the reports of gun fire in the south was that the sounds heard were those made by the British warship saluting the Russian admiral.

HOW CAMRANH BAY WAS LEFT.

From private sources comes a story for which we cannot vouch. It is to the effect that a French officer went off to the Armada in the Bay, and explained that he and his comrades would be delighted to welcome Admiral Rozhdestvensky to a longer stay; but that pressure from Paris necessitated the rudeness of requesting as hasty a departure as possible. Glistening moisture in the eyes of the French officer convinced the Admiral of the sincerity of the sentiments expressed. Formal notifications he had calmly ignored, but this personal appeal touched him. He held out both hands, the two men embraced each other. Orders were issued. Next morning, at daylight, the Armada was not to be seen, only two ships remaining.

THE CANARDS.

L'Avenir du Tonkin comments strongly on the false Saigon report of a naval battle, describing its authors as untruthful abusers of credulity.

The same journal commented on the audacity of half a dozen Japanese, dressed in white, without lace or uniform badge of any kind, who turned up in a junk and watched the arrival of some German colliers. They chowed in a Chinese inn, and in the evening departed in their junk, a little behind the German steamers.

CUM GRANO SALIS.

The following appears in the *Manila Cable-news*, April 19.—When asked as to whom the naval people would rather see come out victorious in the approaching big naval battle a prominent naval official here told your correspondent that officials of the navy have undergone a big revulsion of feeling during the past few weeks.

Following are his views which he said are shared by brother officers throughout the service. At the outset of the present war with the sympathy of the American people was with the sturdy little Japs. Now, fourteen months after, officials are looking askance at one another, wondering if it will really be to the interests of the American people that the Japs, eventually prove victorious. Seven-tenths of the men who comprise the American navy would at the present moment rather see the Russians come out victorious than the slant-eyed inhabitants of chrysanthemum land.

This marked change of opinion has been brought about by our government slowly realizing the fact that the Japanese victors will be intoxicated with victory and greed for more fields on which to conquer, and owing to the geographical position of the Philippines, and the Japanese slogan of Asia for the Asiatics, we will eventually find ourselves in the arena against them.

Japan forced the present war and it is true found her antagonist unprepared, though continued defeat has been the lot of the Russians thus far, those who have given the resources of each country a thought will readily see that Russia is bound to win in the end. Japan cannot stand the continued strain two years longer, and should also lose the present expected sea fight, her credit will be impaired abroad.

American popular sympathy is always with the little fellow.

BENNET BURLEIGH'S DESPATCH BOAT.

At H. M. Supreme Court, Shanghai, on 17th April, before Mr. Justice de Saumarez, Thomas Charles Robert Ward was summoned by A. Pavlov, the Russian Consul, who claimed Tls. 10,000 for "wrongful conversion by the defendant of the s.s. *Saurova*, the property of the plaintiff.

Mr. R. N. Macleod appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. Morgan Phillips for the defendant.

Mr. Macleod said that he thought this case should be tried otherwise than summarily, and he would therefore like defendant's counsel to give him some idea of his defence.

Mr. Phillips said from certain correspondence he had the matter appeared rather complicated to him. On the 31st of January his friend's firm wrote to his client:—

T. R. Ward, Esq.,
c/o Astor House.

Yoursself and E. L. Monlon, Esq.,
Dear Sir,—We have been instructed by Mr. Monlon to demand a properly executed Bill of Sale, transferring to him the s.s. *Saurova* which was, we understand, registered in your name at the British Consulate yesterday. Mr. Monlon claims this under two written assignments of the said ship, one by you to Mr. A. Pavlov and the other by the latter to Mr. Monlon. Unless this Bill of Sale is in our hands by noon on the 2nd February, we shall have to take proceedings against you. We suggest, therefore, that you should call upon us as soon as possible to arrange matters.

We believe that the preparation of a Bill of Sale by the British Consulate can be obtained at a very low fee.

Your faithfully,
Stokes, Platt & Teesdale.

Counsel's client has a set off for more than the existing amount of this claim. On the 8th day of April the present summons was issued, claiming Tls. 10,000 for wrongful conversion of the s.s. *Saurova*. On the 13th of April Messrs. Stokes, Platt and Teesdale wrote to a Mr. F. J. Jensen:—

M. L. KRISTENSEN, Esq.,
9-A Hankow Road.

Re s.s. "Saurova".
Dear Sir,—We are instructed by Mr. Pavlov, the actual owner of this boat, to demand from you the immediate payment of Tls. 80,000 received by you from the Shanghai Tag and Lighter Co., Ltd., on the transfer of this boat to such company. We are further instructed to demand from you payment of the further sum of Tls. 20,000, being damages over and above the Tls. 80,000 already mentioned by reason of such transfer.

Unless on or before the 15th inst. we receive from you the above-mentioned sums we shall, according to our instructions, commence proceedings against you to enforce payment.

Yours faithfully,
STOKES, PLATT AND TEESDALE.

Counsel could understand his friend forging round to find who should pay the money before the proceedings commenced, but having taken proceedings against his client for Tls. 40,000 the subsequent claim in the letter of the 13th inst. was incomprehensible to him.

His Lordship made an order for pleadings.

Mr. Macleod asked when they must be delivered.

His Lordship said he was issuing a short set of rules, and the rule for pleadings would be that, unless the Court decided otherwise, they would have to be delivered in fifteen days. The order would be for fifteen days unless Counsel wished to agree otherwise.

EXTRADITION CASE.

On behalf of the Siamese Government, Chief, Detective Inspector Hanson yesterday made an application before Mr. F. A. Hazeland at the Police Court for the extradition of an Indian named K. Rao, late a stationmaster in the employ of the Royal Siamese Railway Department. The application was made under the Fugitive Offenders' Act of 1881, and Rao is "wanted" in Siam to answer the charge of feloniously stealing, taking and carrying away the sum of Tls. 600, the property of the said Railway Department. After reading papers sent from Siam in connection with the charge, and perusing the evidence adduced, His Worship was satisfied that the depositions showed a strong presumption of the defendant's guilt, and committed him to goal for fifteen days pending the order of the Governor. Meantime he has the right to apply for *Habeas Corpus*.

MISSIONARY BUDDHISM.

The following letter appeared in the *N. C. Daily News*.

Sir,—As it has appeared to us that the mission on which we are about to embark will gain nothing by its being kept secret, I have been asked by those with me to bring it before the public through the medium of your valuable columns.

Owing to the European idea that the religion of Christ is unattainably superior to that of the Buddha, they have very properly acting up to their suppositions, sent out to us missionaries their suppositions, as I know they do, that they are doing what is right and incumbent on them from their point of view, we should have nothing but admiration for their efforts, which have sometimes, alas, been met with martyrdom. All honour to them.

Now, knowing as I do that the sublime teaching of Shikammal is the only way, without entering into heroics, some comrades and myself, acting on the same motives as above set forth have determined to go forth on a mission in the name of our Great Teacher, to bring over the people first of England, and then the rest of Christendom to our own faith. I know the doctrine of Christ, but it is to be seen whether we shall meet with the reception we have the right to believe we shall meet with, if you Christians act thoroughly up to your ideals of love and charity. (Chinese name).

GEO. FENWICK & CO., LTD.

INCREASE OF CAPITAL.

An extraordinary general meeting of Messrs. Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited, was held at the Hongkong Hotel at 12.30 p.m. yesterday.

Mr. A. Rodger was in the chair and there were also present Messrs. Hart Buck, W. G. Winterburn, W. Parlane, J. R. Forbes, J. R. McCorquodale, J. D. Kinnaird and J. I. Andrew. The CHAIRMAN—Gentlemen, this extraordinary meeting has been called as you are no doubt all aware, to propose and if thought fit, to pass a special resolution, which has been well advertised in the local newspapers. But before reading, and formally proposing the resolution, I would for your information like to make a few preliminary remarks. In 1902 the Hongkong Government began to put pressure on us to remove from our present works at Wan-chai, by giving us notice of two years, to cease pursuing a noisy trade in that locality, and to our surprise on looking up our crown lease, which is for a term of 999 years, we found it stipulated that no noisy or otherwise objectionable trade should be carried on there. As we are assured, that the same trade of Engineering, etc., had been carried on in the same premises for something like forty years, and as we were not then prepared to cease working or to remove elsewhere, we laid our case before one of the best legal authorities in the colony, and while his opinion was that seeing this trade of Engineers, etc., had been so long carried on there, that the Company acquired the property to continue the trade then carried on, and which had for so many years been in existence and that the Government had registered the Company for this specific purpose, that he was of the opinion that we could resist with a fair show of success if the case came before the Court; but that all things considered, he recommended that we should take the earliest opportunity of removing to another locality, and realizing that when the projected reclamation in front was begun and that we could not possibly get permission to carry on our business on the new reclamation, the present premises would be quite unsuitable for us being removed so far from the water frontage. Your directors then began to seriously examine various localities, where we might find a new and suitable place, and after much inquiry, examination and consideration, we finally decided that a site at North Point was the most suitable for us, and after some delay in making and agreeing to the necessary arrangements required by the Government, we finally acquired this site, as stated by the then chairman from the chair at one of our ordinary meetings some three years ago, temporary arrangements had been made to finance the scheme, and on the 30th June last, we issued a circular letter to all the shareholders notifying them of the land acquired, and of the necessity of increasing the Capital of the Company from \$150,000 to \$450,000 and inviting suggestions from them for our guidance in carrying the proposed scheme through. It is perhaps unfortunate being compelled to call up new Capital at this time when money is so scarce; but we trust it may be more plentiful by the 30th June, the date on which payment becomes due. It is our intention to issue 6,000 shares at twenty-five dollars each fully paid up, so that each registered shareholder will have an opportunity of taking up one new share for each old share he holds when the new shares are issued. Should we be successful in disposing of our Wan-chai property at a good figure soon, we do not purpose issuing the remaining 6,000 shares. This property is in the market, and judging from the opinion expressed by the acting Director of Public Works at the Society Board meeting some months ago that the inland lot occupied by No. 3 Police Station, Wan-chai, would if sold by auction fetch \$6 per square foot, we are hopeful that our marine lot of 42,000 square feet held on a 999 years lease and carrying the proposed reclamation rights will fetch a good price some day soon. The new site we consider a most suitable one, the advantages of having a works on the Hongkong side of the harbour are great, and the electric tramway passing the premises has enhanced its value. We have a water frontage of 400 feet, with a depth of about 20 feet at low tide, and are hopeful that with brisk trade in the Colony, and good management, the undertaking will be a success; but it must be expected that until the place is completed and in good working order, we can hardly anticipate being able to pay the usual 15 per cent. dividend on the increased Capital. The new shares will rank equally with the old shares so far as dividends are concerned from the 1st July, 1905.

The CHAIRMAN then read the following resolution:—
“That the Capital of the Company be increased from \$150,000 to \$450,000 by the creation of 12,000 new Shares of \$25 each; that 6,000 of the said new Shares be offered to the parties who on the 29th day of April, 1905, shall be Members in proportion to the existing shares held by them; that the full amount of each of the said 6,000 new shares taken up be paid to the Company either (without interest thereon) on or before the 30th day of June, 1905, or (with interest thereon at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum from the 30th day of June, 1905, to the 14th August, 1905, or for such lesser period as the Directors shall from time to time or at any time determine) on or before the 15th August, 1905; and that the remaining 6,000 new shares be offered to such parties at such time or times and upon such terms and conditions as the Directors shall think fit and determine.”

The CHAIRMAN—If any gentleman present wants any further information I will be pleased to give it to the best of my ability. There were no questions.

The CHAIRMAN moved and Mr. Forbes seconded the adoption of the resolution. This was carried.

The CHAIRMAN—We have asked Mr. Hart Buck to rejoin the Board of Directors and I am pleased to say that he has accepted. Thank you for your attendance, gentlemen.

THE EASTER YACHT CRUISES.

Easter Sunday and Monday were spent by some of the Corinthian Yacht Club members at Taiwan Bay, on the other side of Stonecutter. Several races were sailed, and part of the time was spent pleasantly on the beach. The centre was on board *La Cigale*, *Hibernia* and *Cam* were the race winners on each day.

THE SHANGHAI MUTUAL TELEPHONE CO., LTD.

The Directors have to report satisfactory progress in the shape of new telephones connected with the Exchange and in the conduct of the service generally.

The amount available for appropriation in the year 1904 which the Directors suggest should be distributed in the following manner:—

Directors' and Auditor's Fees	1,750.00
Secretary and General Manager	3,528.00
1,750 Telephones at 2s. 6d.	26,600.00
Pay four shillings per share to shareholders, equal to 10 per cent.	45,000.00
Raise the Reserve Fund to 100,000 by placing to it	594.1
Carry forward to new account	
Total	Tls. 76,937.01

A MEAT QUESTION AT SHANGHAI.

This comment appeared in the N. C. Daily News—A special notice by the Shanghai Butchers' Association indicates a serious crisis in the food supply of the Settlement, and one of which the Municipal Council will doubtless take notice. The following letter which appeared in the next issue gives some explanation.

Sir,—Referring to the threatened stoppage of beef supplies by the Butchers' Guild, by reason of an alleged imposition of a tax on cattle, if such like will also be levied on pigs, both foreigners and Chinese will be in the same boat, but if pigs are to escape, then let the Municipal Council retaliate by placing an octroi duty on pigs, dead or alive, coming within the Settlement limits. This will bring the cattle dealers and pig people, who are probably identical, to their senses.

I am, etc., John Bull.

YOKOHAMA ALSO COMPLAINS.

Foreigners will observe, says the Yokohama Gazette, that the local Butchers' Guild announces a further rise in price of meat, to take effect from the 10th inst. until further notice. The previous and present prices announced in Yokohama and Kobe are as follows:—

YOKOHAMA (Previously) (Now Rate) (100 lb.)	KOBE (Previously) (Now Rate) (100 lb.)
Beef sirloin ... 37 sen	42 sen
Corned Beef ... 33	38
Soup Beef ... 26	30
Tripe ... 5	8
Pork ... 20	20
Sausages ... 24	28
Liver ... 5	8

With the exception of corned beef and pork there will be noticed a considerable increase in Yokohama prices, while Kobe prices are in many items very much lower. Kobe has organized against any arbitrary increase and it may become necessary for Yokohama foreigners to take similar steps. In the meantime it will be well for householders to consult on the change.

A MENACE TO SHANGHAI.

In case it should ever strike the F. R. Office to follow up the abolition of the title of Chief Justice at Shanghai with an Order making the Supreme Court of Hongkong the Court of Appeal from Shanghai, instead of the Judicial Committee of H.M. Privy Council, it may not be far from the mark to quote the following remarks made by Mr. H. P. Wilkinson, Acting Judge at Bangkok, when taking leave of the Bar there:—
“When I had the honour in June, 1893, of taking over charge of this Court from Mr. Justice Archer, I examined the records of past appeals and, before the decision of an appeal from myself, I thereupon had the honour to respectfully suggest to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs that appeals from this Court, exercising extrajudicial jurisdiction and administering ‘as far as circumstances admit’ the law of England, should be to Her Majesty in Council and not to the Supreme Court of the Straits Settlements, a Colonial Court administering as its ordinary jurisdiction in civil matters local ordinances and certain English Acts, and in criminal matters the Indian Penal Code. My experience since then as Acting Judge of this Court has in no way altered that opinion. A system which in 1856 was probably a necessity, has now become a dangerous anomaly. The Supreme Court claims and exercises a right in criminal cases to consider grounds of appeal not filed in this Court and matters appearing neither in the record as stated by this Court nor on the record. In civil cases the Supreme Court claims and exercises a like jurisdiction, and is prepared to hear and determine an appeal without having before it the Judge's reasons for his decisions in the Court.
“With all possible respect for the Supreme Court of the Straits Settlements it is my duty to say that such a practice on appeal introduced into judicial proceedings an element of chance which is not in the best interests of British subjects in Siam or of others, including His Majesty's Government, who have occasion to sue or enter criminal charges against British subjects in this Court. The practice has a tendency to demoralize the Bar, in putting a premium on the introduction of extraneous matter, and it moreover gives an air of unfairness to any trial, however serious, in this Court. The newly-appointed Judge is naturally unaware of these facts, and I trust that what I have, with great reluctance and with a proper respect, thought it my duty to this Court to say, as it is in obtaining the long called for appeal to the Judicial Committee of H.M. Privy Council.”

I would prefer the central figure of a world-tragedy than die without having felt to the uttermost, even if it were sorrow. My whole nature revolts against the idea of being able to feel little or nothing really. It seems to me that when we begin to feel nothing, we begin to grow, like the palm tree rising towards the African sun—Robert Hichens in ‘The Garden of Allah’.

SHIPPING ITEMS.

AN INQUIRY.
A Marine Inquiry will be held at the Hongkong Harbour Office on Thursday into the circumstances connected with the stranding of the Canton river steamer *Kong Nam*, which (as reported) “exclusively” by this journal went ashore near Capatim on the 31st instant, and was later re-floated.

THE “DAKOTA.”
The *Dakota*, the sister-ship to the *Minnesota*, but eleven days larger, was to have New York for Hongkong, via the Cape of Good Hope, on or about the 3rd of this month.

With the arrival of the *Dakota* at Hongkong the regular run of the ships will be taken up and according to their schedules they will hereafter cross each other in mid-Pacific.

BLOCKADE RUNNERS.
The British steamer *Rosely* and *Lettington* have been finally confiscated. Speaking of blockade runners, the circumstances connected with the seizure of the steamer *Harborton* throw some fresh light on the ways and means adopted. The vessel, from Cardiff, with 5,000 tons of coal, took the outward track of the ordinary mail steamers, says the *Japan Mail*, calling in at Colombo and Hongkong, but after leaving the latter port an easterly course was taken and continued for several days with a view to avoid the cruisers reported at Hongkong to be patrolling the southern Japanese waters. All went well till the instant when entering the Kunigiri channel the vessel encountered the great abstracting striding her bows with considerable force. Finding the strain was getting too much for her, she endeavored to turn back, but the crew were set to work to straighten her up and the vessel was successful till on the 18th instant she was completely encircled in the ice. On that day she was sighted by the *Akitashimo*, and a Japanese officer with eight men went to her in a boat which they skidded across the ice.

OSAKA SHOWN KAISHA.
The business of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha has been remarkably prosperous of late. According to the *Osaka Mainichi*, the company's receipts from January 1st to March 31st amounted to Yen 2,476,000, while the expenditure for the same months was Yen 1,935,000, leaving a net profit of Yen 541,000. The proceeds show an increase of some Yen 200,000 over the returns for the corresponding period of last year.

The Company opened regular steamship services between Kobe and Takao, Tamsui and Foochow, and Hongkong and Shanghai in the beginning of the month. The *Shosha-maru*, *Triumph* and *Fortiffy* are the vessels chosen for the Hongkong-Shanghai service.

The steamers *Tatara* and *Frissa* have been hired by the Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.
It is reported from Tokyo that the Toyo Kisen Kaisha has arranged to open a regular steamship service to ports in Africa and South America, with the company's steamers *Hongkong-maru*, *Nippon-maru* and *America-maru*, on the conclusion of the war. For the company's service between Hongkong and San Francisco, the *Mitsu Bishi Dockyard* and Engine Works have received orders to construct two passenger steamers of 12,000 tons each, with materials bought in the United States of America.

The ship *Yusen Kaisha* is shortly expected at Nagasaki, and the work on the construction of the vessel will be taken in hand without delay.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
The steamer *Procyon*, which was captured by the Japanese Navy in Hokkaido, has been sold to the Nippon Yusen Kaisha for Yen 102,400.

The British steamer *Cape Corrientes* (2,338 gross and 1,660 reg. tons), *Belgian* (2,370 gross and 1,270 reg. tons), and another European steamer have been chartered to the Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

MOJI COAL.
Japanese coal amounting to 152,725 tons was exported from Moji during the month of March.

THE “FRANZ.”
The Norwegian steamer *Transit* is now being negotiated for sale to a Japanese firm at Yokohama.

THE HATLEY “MARE.”
The British steamer *Mare*, which stranded in the Kanagawa channel, Kanagawa group, on March 17th in consequence of ice-bow, has steadily been pressed by the ice and half of her hull is now sunk, having sustained considerable damage in the engine department. The Captain was recently reported to have died, but according to a Nansan telegram, dated April 5th, the vessel is safe, though one male and one female crew member were frozen to death while drifting in a boat.

BRITISH STEAMER CAPTURED.
The British steamer *Healy Bullock* (1,060 tons gross), owned by the Bombay and Persia Steamship Company, has been seized by a Japanese warship.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.
The M.M. str. *Ernest Simons*, with the next French mail, left Singapore on the 24th inst. at 2 p.m. for Penang.

The P.M. str. *China* arrived at Manila yesterday at 9 a.m. She will leave Manila for this port on Thursday, the 27th inst. at noon, due here Saturday morning, the 29th inst.

The L.M.G. Australian str. *Prins Waldemar* left Kobe via Moji on Monday at 6 a.m., and may be expected here on Monday, the 1st May at daylight.

The O.S.S. & C.M. str. *Tyden* left Shanghai on the 24th inst. at noon, and may be expected here today, p.m.

WARSHIP MOVEMENTS.

THE BRITISH FLEET.
The British fleet was sighted in the vicinity of Mira Bay yesterday by the P. & O. str. *Ceylon*.

H.M.S. “VENGEANCE.”
H.M.S. *Vengeance* arrived at Singapore from Colombo, on her way to Hongkong, on the 14th instant.

THE DUTCH SQUADRON.
Since the advent of the Baltic Fleet into Far Eastern waters, the warships of the Dutch Squadron have been showing such cruising activity, and have been reported as appearing at so many points, that they have several times been confused with the belligerent vessels. Their movements continue to be as fitful as ever.

JAPANESE TRADE RETURNS.

Owing to a prosperous import trade in raw cotton, rice, machinery, sugar, and woolen cloth, the foreign trade of Japan from the 1st to the 31st of March resulted in an excess of imports of Yen 13,066,940, making a total of Yen 56,446,944 from January last.

SHANGHAI FLORID FINANCE.

The N. C. Daily News gives the following telephone sketch as an illustration of the way some local bankers operate in shares.

Short.—“Central office, connect me with 4,378.”

Skimpole.—“Is that you Skimpole?”

Skimpole.—“Yes, who are you?”

Short.—“I'm Short of Collin and Short and am at the Stock Exchange. I say, Skimpole, there has been a spurt in Long Cats today, and shares have been placed at Tls. 345 for March. I have 50 shares that I can let you have at Tls. 335. Better take them, as it is a moral certainty that they will be 400 before the end of the month.”

Skimpole.—“Do you really think that they are all right at that figure?”

Short.—“Don't you funk them. They are O. K. The Chinese are buying and they know more about Long Cats than the directors.”

Skimpole.—“All right; put me back, 50 Long Cats at Tls. 335 per piece.”

Short.—“Central office, connect me with 4,378.”

Skimpole.—“Is that you Skimpole?”

Skimpole.—“Yes.”

Short.—“I'm Short. I say, Skimpole, I have 200 shares Shindy-Chinas I can sell for March at Tls. 95. I am sure they will fetch Tls. 100 in a few days. True, their business don't pay, but they insure their own ships and make enough out of that account to pay a decent dividend.”

Skimpole.—“O.K., put me back, 200 Shindy-Chinas for March, Tls. 95.”

Short.—“Central Office, connect 24th March.”

Skimpole.—“What do you make the loss to be?”

Collin.—“Let me see. The 50 Long Cats show a loss of Tls. 85 a share. That will be Tls. 4,250. The 200 Shindies less Tls. 7, that's Tls. 1,400, and our own—let me see 50 Long Cats at Tls. 335, that's Tls. 16,750, and 200 Shindies at Tls. 95 equal Tls. 19,000; half per cent is Tls. 178.75. Please wait a minute and I will let you know the exact amount.” (All the time Collin has a detailed account in his hand.)

“Are you there Skimpole?”

Skimpole.—“Yes.”

Collin.—“The exact amount due to us by you is Tls. 2,837.75. What do you propose doing?”

Skimpole.—“Will you take up the shares or will you let me pay the difference?”

Skimpole.—“I'm awfully sorry, but I can't possibly take them up, and equally I can't stump up the difference.”

Collin.—“Well, what do you propose doing?”

Skimpole.—“I can't do anything, I am higher than a kite.”

Collin.—“You must do something. What money do you get?”

Skimpole.—“I got Tls. 150 a month. Tls. 25 of which I have been paying to another broker for the past two years.”

Collin.—“This is shocking. But you must make a proposal.”

Skimpole.—“Well, I can give you Tls. 25 a month; not a red cent more. That leaves me a pay me club bill.”

Collin.—“What's your age?”

Skimpole.—“I shall be 30 next birthday.”

Collin.—“Let me see. Tls. 25 a month or Tls. 300 a year. Now let me see, it will take you just about 20 years to pay us off. You will then be 50 years old, just the prime of life. However, I'll see and let you know.”

Skimpole.—“By the way, Collin, has your principal covered the shares?”

Collin.—“No, but if you will take up your contract, we can honour them from friend Shylock. Good bye.”

Collin.—“Central office, connect 5137. Who are you?”

Short.—“I'm Short.”

Collin.—“I'm Collin. I say Short, what are you doing at the course this morning? I took a hand at poker last night and didn't turn in till daylight, so I didn't turn up.”

Short.—“I had the whole string out. I rode the jobber and he went in his old Champion form. Better put a bit more on him at the best odds you can get.”

Collin.—“I say, Short, if you have time you might run up to the office.”

Short.—“I'm afraid I can't manage before 3 o'clock, as my golf pointer is a bit off colour, and the vet won't be here before two.”

Collin.—“All right. By the way, I have been ringing up Skimpole about the settlement. He swears he can neither take up his shares nor pay the difference. The best he can do is to let us have Tls. 25 a month.”

Short.—“That'll be O. K. I know that he would never be able to pay the difference. If there were a loss, especially such a loss, but make the pigskin we did with him, staidied short fellows who can pay. Hurry up. Accept his offer and jump his life in one of the new companies. If Fagin is in the rooms ask him what he will lay against Bagdad for the Derby.”

I rode him this morning, and he went like greased lightning, pull as I would.”

Collin.—“Hold on, I'll see. Are you there, Short?”

Short.—“Fagin says he will lay 1,000 to 100 against Bagdad.”

Short.—“Take it and ask him to double it.”

Collin.—“O.K., he'll double. He tells me that he has had a regular fiver in Dooke and is trying to compound. As a matter of fact, he offered Smith 25 per cent. and was refused. I know the beggar has coin stowed away somewhere, and could pay up, but he won't part. Wild horses won't drag it from him. How do you stand with him?”

Short.—“Ah, yes. You remember I had a ‘Jobber’ in his book last meeting, but he hasn't paid up yet.”

Collin.—“I know he's got the coin, but it seems most of it is settled on his wife. Go the pointer men to at once and turn up in the office chop chop. Good bye.” (Sotto voce.) “I ask God the settlement is passing off satisfactorily.”

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 25th at 11.55 a.m. the barometer has risen slightly on the E. coast of China, fallen over Japan and S. China. The depression is moving N.E. in the S. part of the Sea of Japan.

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CHINA AND MANCHURIA.

The *Asahi's* Peking correspondent wires the following interesting opinions of Chinese statesmen's opinions on the Manchuria question:—
1.—It is not a wise policy for Japan to insist on the opening of Manchuria that she may enlist the sympathy of Europe and America. As a victor, it is only natural that she should enjoy the exclusive monopoly of various interests in Manchuria. Japan's attitude certainly furnishes the Powers an opportunity to intervene. This is not only disadvantageous to Japan alone but to China as well.

2.—On the restoration of peace, China is going to station 50,000 soldiers in Manchuria. As to their training, China has sufficient preparations in view, but will require at least several months to perfect them. There would not be much objection raised against Japan's maintaining a garrison in Manchuria.

3.—It is very desirable to have the same administration introduced in Manchuria, as is obtaining in other provinces. It is not difficult; in fact, the present is the opportune moment to do it.

4.—That Japan should wish to take over the leases granted to Russia as to Port Arthur, Dulian, Harbin and other places is natural, but should expect great opposition. The question demands full investigation.

5.—The Chinese officials, who were once regarded as being pro-Russian, are fast vanishing as the situation changes. They are all entertaining grateful feelings toward Japan. Diplomatically there will be some subterfuge played out, on the whole, Japan will get all she wants. At present China is determined not to seek the intervention of a third Power in order to settle the Manchuria question. The Powers are, however, on the look-out for a chance to intervene, or to mediate. Japan must be on her guard.—*Japan Herald*.

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Hongkong, 25th April, 1905. [1076]

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L. S. LEWIS, Acting Superintendent. Hongkong, 24th April, 1905. [1077]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE HALF-YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of Members will be held in the CITY HALL, on SATURDAY, the 29th April, 1905, at 3.30 P.M.

By Order, T. F. HOUGH, Clerk of the Course. Hongkong, 14th April, 1905. [1078]

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NOTICE.

A MEETING of HIS MAJESTY'S JUSTICES of the PEACE will be held at the Magistracy, at 2.15 P.M. on MONDAY, the 1st May, 1905, for the purpose of considering the following application, viz.:

An application for the transfer from ANNETTA PAPER to one ABRAHAM ZUCKERMAN of a Police License to sell and retail intoxicating liquors on premises situated at No. 26, Pottinger Street, in the City of Victoria, and called or known as "The Colonial Hotel."

F. A. HAZELAND, Police Magistrate. Magistracy, Hongkong, 18th April, 1905. [1048]

AUCTIONS

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THE Undersigned have received instructions from the REGISTRAR, SUPREME COURT, to sell by Public Auction,

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TERMS:—As usual. HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers. Hongkong, 20th April, 1905. [1049]

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

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Dated the 10th day of April, 1905. 355

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NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG LICENSED PILOTS ASSOCIATION have this Day REMOVED their OFFICE to FIRST FLOOR of Nos. 15, 16 and 17, CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL. Hongkong, 15th April, 1905. [931]

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It is not because it is unapproached for
Carbon and Stencil manifolding—though that
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It is not for any one or two of the foregoing
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WARE, &c., &c., and POCHOW
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Hongkong, 19th March, 1904. [761]

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The Underigned AGENTS for the above
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SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
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Hongkong, 18th June, 1904. [1859]

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Hongkong, 18th November, 1901. [5]

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THE GRAND DUKE VLADIMIR.

ATONEMENT, OR MERE WHITENESS?

The following was sent, "by authority," to
the Times—

In times of unrest legends easily arise. If
allowed to grow unchecked they too easily
become an essential part of history, and many a
man, who deserves a fairer fame, appears before
posterity with an undeserved blemish. An evil
legend has attached itself to the Grand Duke
Vladimir. Some of the Berlin and London
papers have depicted him to be the soul of a
"Grand Ducal party," a party which recom-
mends the suppression of disturbances, not by
wise reforms, carried through with a strong
hand, but only by the display of extreme force.
With narrow-minded and unintelligent brutality
—so they say—did the Grand Duke carry out
his measures of repression on the 22nd of
January. A London newspaper called this
ill-starred day "Vladimir's day."

Not only the really well informed, but every
man who is not entirely out of touch with
political affairs, recognizes the stories thus
disseminated to be absolutely contrary to the
truth. There is no question of a "Grand Ducal
party." The existence of such a party assumes
a solidarity of the members of the Imperial
House, which in fact does not exist. It is true
that isolated members of the Imperial family
have exercised an influence, as for instance the
late Grand Duke Sergei. But, as has been
already said, there can be no question of the
Grand Dukes as a more or less close corporation
with a common tendency and clearly recognized
objects. The assertion that the Grand Duke
Vladimir plays a leading part in this non-
existent party or clique above a still greater
program of existing conditions. Everybody
knows that for more than ten years the
Grand Duke has taken no part in public affairs,
and that he even occupies an isolated position
in the Imperial family, which excludes the possi-
bility of his exercising an influence, especially
an occult one. So much is clear even to a
distant observer. But those who have the oppor-
tunity of approaching the Grand Duke more
closely know that his whole character is as
incompatible with the spirit of *franc-tirer* as with
the exercise of any occult Machiavellian influence
whatever. The latter is especially in contradic-
tion with his fundamental character, and the
outward brusquerie which on the first impres-
sion so distinguishes him, for one who occupies
in his retirement a room at one of the quarters
of the appearance of easy-going carelessness, an earnest
nature and an intelligent view of life, strength-
ened by serious reading, far different from the
spitfire caricatures which have been put in cir-
culation. The son and the brother of Russian
Emperors cannot, indeed, be a "Liberal" after
the heart of the Progressives of Berlin, but
just as complete a comprehension of the require-
ments of the times than many a liberalizing
statesman possesses. He recognizes that the
worship of the idol of abolition is a worse foe
of the Monarchy than any other itself, and that,
if the Russia of the 20th century is to stand out
victorious and respected in the world-struggle
of peoples and States, the foundations of its
existence as a State and a nation must undergo
a thorough and fearless test.

As regards the 22nd of January, the Grand
Duke Vladimir had nothing to do with events
of that unlucky day, not indeed because he had
sought to avoid responsibility, but because his
proposal to concentrate in his own hand all
preventive as well as all repressive action met
with no approval. Had things been otherwise,
judgment and purpose would have been clearer
and the tale of victims smaller.

TO THE SPIRIT OF RUSSIA.
The venerable novelist and poet, George
Meredit, has contributed to the Times some
conceivable lines addressed to the "spirit of
Russia." Here are the concluding lines—
Not thine to raise the avenger's shriek;
Nor turn to them a To-ai-oi cheer;
Nor menace him, the wavering still,
Man of much heart and little will.
The criminal of his high seat,
Whose plea of Guiltless judges it.
For they who shall bring to hand
Salvation and to thy torn land,
Seen on the breakers. Now has come
The day when thou canst not be dumb.
Spirit of Russia!—those who bind
Thy limbs and iron-cap thy mind.
Take thou for quaking flesh, midoubt
That thou art of the rabble rout
Which cries and flees, with whinpering "p.
From reckless gey and loyal whip.
But he who has at heart the deeds
Of thy heroic offspring, leads
In them a scorn; not given to shrink
From peril on the abyss's brink;
With never dread of murderous power;
With view beyond the crimson hour;
Neither on instant-driven might,
Nor visionary erudite;
A soul; and fearless thou. It remains
For thee to stay thy children's veins.
The counterforce of hate arrest,
Give to thy sons a breathing breast.
And him resembling, in his sight,
Say to thy land, Let there be Light.

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where a good antiseptic is often
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Hongkong, 3rd Jan. 1904. [16]

GARRISON ORDERS.

HEAD QUARTERS, HONGKONG.

25th April 1905.

GENERAL ORDERS—Gazette Ind'a.—No. 63.

The following extracts from the Gazette of
India are published for information:—Military
Department Fort William, 10th March 1905.

The King approved of the following
promotions among officers of the Indian Army,
Indian Subordinate Medical Department, and
Indian Army Departments, and admissions to
the Indian Army, Indian Medical Service, and
Indian Army Reserve of Officers:—

Indian Army. Majors to be Lieut.-Colonels.
Francis William John Canfield, 110th
Maharatta Light Inf. Dated 1st October 1904.
Captains to be Majors. Dated 10th November
1904.

Charles Oriel Oliphant Tanner, 129th Duke
of Connaught's Own Baluchis.

Leave.—No. 3. Leave in extension has been
granted to 2/Lieutenant C. B. Down, Royal
Garrison Artillery, to 6th September 1905, at
the recommendation of a Medical Board.

Anthony W. O. Lister 35-535 (A. & S.) dated
11th March, 1905. (B). With reference to
Garrison Order No. 3 of 25th March and No. 4
of 30th March 1905, the leave granted to Lieut.
C. H. R. Cluskey, Royal Engineers should read
from 26th April to 26th June 1905.

R.I.M.S. "Hardinge."—No. 4. It is notified
for information that the R.I.M.S. "Hardinge,"
will leave Kowloon Wharf at 10 a.m. to-morrow.
Standing Orders of the Wing 1901 Burma
Infantry and the 11th Maharatta Light Inf.
is to be completed by that hour. Indulgence
passengers are to be on board by 9 a.m. under
their own arrangements.

Garrison Guards &c.—No. 5. With
reference to Garrison Order No. 7 of 20th
instant under the heading of 2nd Section.
The 119th Infantry will furnish the Garrison
&c. with the exceptions thereof stated up to
20th instant, and 129th Baluchis from 27th
instant.

Stretcher Bearer &c.—No. 6. In accordance
with para. 1233 King's Regulations and para.
892 Army Regulations, India, Vol. 1, classes
will be formed on the 1st May 1905, at
Victoria and Kowloon for the training of
regimental stretcher bearers in ambulance
duty. Officers for this duty will be detailed
by the P.M.O. Nominal rolls of men detailed
will be forwarded to the P.M.O. by Officers
Commanding not later than the 27th April
1905; the latter will arrange direct with the
Office in charge Military Hospitals Victoria and
Kowloon, as to the hours the men are to
attend.

Restoration of apparently drowned.—No. 7.
Instructions in the procedure to be adopted for
the restoration of the apparently drowned will
be given on Mondays and Fridays in May
commencing on Monday, 1st May, by an Officer
R.A.M.C. or Indian Medical Service to be
detailed by the P.M.O. The instruction
will take place at 2 p.m. on two days stated
at the Military Hospitals, Victoria and Kow-
loon. Nominal rolls of the men employed as
Regimental Bathing Pioneers, instructors in
Swimming and Garrison and Regt Police will
be forwarded to the P.M.O. not later than the
27th April 1905. The nominal rolls should
include the names of men who wish to attend
voluntarily.

Medical Board.—No. 8. A Medical Board
will assemble at the Military Hospital, Kow-
loon, to-day 25th instant, to report upon the
fitness for further service or otherwise of
No. 3114 Pte Hajari Singh, 119th Infantry.
The P.M.O. will arrange the details.

By Order.

R. A. ROSS Major
Chief Staff Officer.

JAPAN'S TRADE WITH INDIA.

SOME CRITICISMS OF THE NEW COMMERCIAL
TREATY.

The Keizai Zasshi publishes some not able
comments on the commercial treaty between
India and Japan which was published last month.
In the first place, we learn from a Japan Mail
translation, attention is drawn to the great
disparity between Japan's sales to India and
her purchases from the latter. To illustrate
this the Keizai publishes a table—

Exports from Japan Imports to Japan

to India. from India.

1902 5,067,263 49,302,789

1903 5,086,795 68,594,105

1904 5,444,951 68,111,554

The articles sold by Japan to India are
chiefly refined copper, habutay, umbrellas,
tea-bowls, jirriksha, matches and cigarettes.
On these the Indian Government does not, in
any case, levy a duty of more than 5 per cent,
and valorem. Japan, on the other hand, levies
comparatively heavy duties on her imports
from India, as dried indigo, tin, indiarubber,
silk and raw cotton. According to the new
convention, 14 of these articles will henceforth
enjoy most favoured nation treatment, with the
result that the duties will be reduced by about
one half on the average, whereas Japan, since
her products already enjoy that treatment in
India, will not derive any corresponding benefit
from the convention. The Keizai notes that
some people condemn the convention on that
reason, but the fact is that, as India's duties
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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
BRECHLEY, British str., 2,465, R. Forsyth, 24th April.—Penarth 8th February, Coals.—Order.
CAYLON, British str., 2,637, C. F. Lockston, 15th April.—Yokohama 11th April, General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
CHOWAT, German str., 1,115, H. Taylor, 24th April.—Bangkok 18th April, Rice.—Molochers & Co.
EMMA LUYKEN, German str., 1,160, H. Martens, 24th April.—Pekalongan (Java) 16th April, Sugar.—Chinsea.
HOLSTEIN, German str., 1,485, Joh. Hansen, 25th April.—Tientsin 20th April, Coal.—Jensen & Co.
HONGKONG, French str., 742, A. Suzout, 24th April.—Hiphong and Hailow 13rd April, General.—A. H. Marly.
NORMAN ISLES, Norwegian str., 2,191, Lanue, 25th April.—Moj 20th April, Coal.—Order.
PRINZ FRIEDRICH, German str., 5,491, B. Prehn, 24th April.—Yokohama 15th April, Mails and General.—Melchers & Co.
QUINTA, German str., 987, P. Frain, 25th April.—Saigon 21st April, General.—Order.
ROON, German str., 4,961, G. Meiners, 25th April.—Hermes and Singapore 21st April, Mails and General.—Melchers & Co.
YUENANG, British str., 1,128, P. H. Rolfe, 25th April.—Manila 22nd April, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CLEARANCES.

At the Harbour Master's Office.
 25th April.
Barnes, German str., for Kudat.
Barney, British str., for Swatow.
Glanfalloch, British str., for Amoy.
Hindenburg, British str., for Shanghai.
Jacob Dietrich, German str., for Hailow.
Machen, German str., for Swatow.
Sengasibit, German str., for Yokohama.

DEPARTURES.

24th April.
HUMBER, British str., for Mira Bay.
LANHONG, British str., for Shanghai.
RAMBLER, B. Irish str., for Mira Bay.
WATERWICH, British str., for Mira Bay.
 25th April.
DIOMED, British str., for Shanghai.
DUFFIN, British str., for Taku.
ITAKA, British str., for Canton.
KAIOW, British str., for London.
MARIA VALERIE, Austrian str., for Yokohama.
PLANT VERA, British str., for Yokohama.
TAKING, British str., for Manila.
THEMONT, Amer. str., for Tacoma.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The French str. *Hongkong* reports: Fresh easterly wind and swell.
 The British str. *Yuenang* reports: Moderate N.E. winds, moderate sea and clear weather.
 The German str. *Emma Luyken* reports: Strong N.E. monsoon and high N.E. swell.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

25th April.
ABERDEEN DOCKS—
 * *OWALON DOCKS*—*Erna*, *Ithara*, *Kongwan*, *Fathala*, *B. Bjornson*, *Nimnania*, *Comopolitan*, *Modelline*, *Richmers*.

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.
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THE Imperial German Mail Steamship
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 Captain G. Meiners, due here with the outward German Mail about TUESDAY, at 6 P.M., will leave for the above places about 12/24 hours after arrival.

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 Hongkong, 24th April, 1905.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHEW.
THE Company's Steamship
"HAICHING."
 Captain Hodgins, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, 27th inst., at 11 A.M.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to **DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO., General Managers.**
 Hongkong, 25th April, 1905.

FOR NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.
(WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT THE MALABAR COAST).
THE Steamship
"HUDSON."
 Captain Barnett, is expected here on the 29th inst., at daylight and will be despatched on the 1st May, in the afternoon.
 To be followed by the s.s. "KENNEBEC" about the 20th June.
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 Oriental Freight Department
 4, Des Voeux Road, Central.
 Hongkong, 25th April, 1905.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
 1905.
 About 20th May.
 "HINDUSTAN" ... 20th May.
 "ERROLL" ... 20th May.
 For Freight and further information, apply to **DODWELL & CO., LL., Agents.**
 Hongkong, 12th April, 1905.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.
THE NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA is prepared, during suspension of their Trans-Pacific Service and until further notice to book cargo and issue Bills of Lading to SEATTLE, WASH., VICTORIA, B.C., and PACIFIC COAST PORTS, also to OVERLAND POINTS in the UNITED STATES and CANADA in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY from SEATTLE as authorized by the steamer of the NIPPON PACIFIC S.S. CO., BOSTON STEAMSHIP and TUGBOAT CO.'S, OCEAN S.S. CO. and CHINA MUTUAL S.S. CO.
 For Further Particulars, apply at the Company's Local Branch Office in Prince's Building, First Floor, Chater Road.
A. S. MHARA, Manager.
 Hongkong, 20th May, 1904.

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked K, nearest Hongkong H, midway between Hongkong and Kowloon M, and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf K.W., together with the number denoting the section.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's.
 2. From Harbour Master's to Blako Pier.

3. From Blako Pier to Naval Yard.
 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG.	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	CAYLON	Brit. str.	—	C. F. Lockston, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 26th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	CHOWAT	Brit. str.	—	G. M. Montford, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 6th May, at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	EMMA LUYKEN	Brit. str.	—	McIntosh	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 15th May.
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	Brit. str.	1 m.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 9th May.
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	Brit. str.	1 m.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 23rd May.
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	Brit. str.	1 m.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 29th June.
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	Brit. str.	1 m.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 29th June.
MARSEILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL.	ARAND BEHIC	Frans. str.	—	Guionnet	MESSAGIERES MARITIMES	On 2nd May, at 1 P.M.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL.	P. E. FRIEDRICH	Ger. str.	—	E. Prehn	MELCHERS & CO.	To-day, at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	NASSOVIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Cantigny	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	To-morrow.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SERBIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Jacob	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 30th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SLAVONIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Alauden	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 2nd May.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SEGOVIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Schoenfeldt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 10th May.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SENEGAMBIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Jaburg	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 30th May.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	C. F. FERD. LAEISZ	Ger. str.	k.w.	von Hoff	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 13th June.
TRIESTE, &c., VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	BRISGAVIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Schmidt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 27th June.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL.	LAUREN	Brit. str.	—	Mistrorigo	SANDER, WIEBER & CO.	On 1st May.
NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	DEUTALON	Brit. str.	1 m.	Barnett	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th May.
NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	HUTSON	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th June.
NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	ATHOL	Brit. str.	—	—	STANDARD OIL CO.	On 1st May, P.M.
NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	SAGAMI	Brit. str.	—	—	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	About 15th May.
NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	NUBIA	Brit. str.	k.w.	Habel	DODWELL & CO., LD.	About 20th May.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	TAMBAR	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 25th May.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN.	EMPEROR OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	To-day.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA NAGASAKI, &c.	LYTA	Brit. str.	—	G. V. Williams	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 10th May.
PORTLAND, OREGON	NINGHOOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED.	On 2nd May.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	NOMANIA	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st May.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	PRINZ WALDEMAR	Ger. str.	—	—	PORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. CO.	To-morrow, at Daylight.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	EMPIRE	Brit. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & CO.	On 2nd May, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	THINAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 19th May.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOB.	SOOTERA	Brit. str.	—	C. J. Banton, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 29th inst.
KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	OMIDALE	Brit. str.	—	J. Hamilton	BRADLEY & CO.	On 30th inst., at Daylight.
JAPAN VIA SHANGHAI	PROTEUS	Brit. str.	—	—	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN	Quick despatch.
TSINGTAI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	KANSHU	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 29th inst.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HIOGO & YOKOHAMA	KOON	Ger. str.	—	G. Meiners	MELCHERS & CO.	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HIOGO & YOKOHAMA	AMARA	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 23rd inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI & KOBÉ	BANCA	Brit. str.	—	J. B. Fergusson	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 26th inst.
SHANGHAI, CHINKIANG & WUHU	LYDIA	Brit. str.	—	Girlebrand	SIEMSEN & CO.	On 23rd inst., at 5 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	WOOSUNG	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 30th inst.
SHANGHAI, KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	ERNEST SIMONS	Frans. str.	—	—	MESSAGIERES MARITIMES	About 1st May.
SHANGHAI, KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	MAITA	Brit. str.	—	R. A. Peters	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 5th May.
TAMSU VIA SWATOW & AMOY	PROTEUS	Ger. str.	—	C. Moller	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 30th inst.
AMOY VIA SWATOW & AMOY	B. BJORNSSON	Ger. str.	—	C. Olsen	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 3rd May.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW	HAICHING	Brit. str.	2 h.	Hodgins	DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.	To-morrow, at 11 A.M.
MANILA	YUENANG	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 28th inst., at 4 P.M.
MANILA	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	—	R. Rodger	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 29th inst., at 10 A.M.
MANILA	TEAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 5th May, at 4 P.M.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	Brit. str.	—	—	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 6th May, at 10 A.M.
MANILA	RUBI	Brit. str.	1 m.	A. H. Noley	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
LOILO	SURIGAN	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	SINGORA	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	BOINSE	Ger. str.	—	E. Mahle	MELCHERS & CO.	Quick despatch.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	NAMSANG	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-day, at 3 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	SURANG	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 9th May, at 3 P.M.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

(PROTECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA "NAMSANG" Wednesday, 28th April, 3 P.M.
 † SHANGHAI "AMARA" Friday, 28th April, 4 P.M.
 † MANILA "YUENANG" Friday, 28th April, 4 P.M.
 † MANILA "LOONGSANG" Friday, 28th April, 4 P.M.
 † SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA "SUISANG" Tuesday, 5th May, 3 P.M.
 * These steamers have superior accommodation for First-Class Passengers and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.
 † Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading to Chefoo, Tientsin and Yungtze Ports.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to **JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS.**
 Hongkong, 24th April, 1905.

HONGKONG-MANILA.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila. Saloon amidships. Electric Light Perfect Cuisine. SURGEON and STEWARDESS carried. All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

STEAMSHIP	TONS	CAPTAIN	FOR	SAILING DATE
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila	Sat., 29th April, 10 A.M.
RUBI	2540	A. H. Noley	Manila	Sat., 6th May, 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage apply to **SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS.**
 Hongkong, 24th April, 1905.

HONGKONG-NEW YORK.

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.
(WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT THE MALABAR COAST).

STEAMSHIP	TONS	CAPTAIN	FOR	SAILING DATE
S.S. "ATHOLL"	About 15th May.
S.S. "NORDBOL"	About 15th June.

For freight and further information apply to **SHEWAN TOMES & CO., GENERAL AGENTS.**
 Hongkong, 11th April, 1905.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

OSTASIATISCHER DIENST.
 Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, BREMEN, GENOA, PORTS in the LEVANT, BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS, NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.
 * TEAMERS.
 NASSOVIA (Havre and Hamburg) ... On 27th April. Freight.
 Capt. Cantigny (Calling at Singapore and Colombo) ... On 30th April. Freight.
 SERBIA (Havre and Hamburg) ... On 2nd May. Freight & Passengers.
 Capt. Madsen (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo) ... On 2nd May. Freight & Passengers.
 SLAVONIA (Havre and Hamburg) ... On 10th May. Freight.
 Capt. Schoenfeldt (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo) ... On 10th May. Freight.
 SEGOVIA (Havre and Hamburg) ... On 30th May. Freight.
 Capt. Jaburg (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo) ... On 30th May. Freight.
 SENEGAMBIA (Havre and Hamburg) ... On 13th June. Freight.
 Capt. von Hoff (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo) ... On 13th June. Freight.
 BRISGAVIA (Havre and Hamburg) ... On 27th June. Freight.
 Capt. Schmidt (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo) ... On 27th June. Freight.
 NUBIA (New York via Suez) ... On 25th Mar. Freight.
 Capt. Habel (with liberty to call at the Malabar coast) ... On 25th Mar. Freight.
 * Special attention of intending Passengers is drawn to the splendid accommodation of these steamers. Saloons and cabins amidships. Lighted throughout by electricity.
 For Further Particulars, apply to **HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.**
HONGKONG OFFICE, No. 1, Queen's Building.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

REGULAR FOUR-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIPANAS.	JAVA PORTS	First half of June	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	First half of June
TJILATJAP.	JAPAN	Second half of May	JAVA PORTS	Second half of May
TJIMAHU	JAVA PORTS	Second half of April	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	First half of May

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian ports on through Bills of Lading.
 For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the **HEAD AGENCY OF THE JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.**
 Alexandra Buildings, 3rd Floor, Hongkong, 24th April, 1905.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICES.

BETWEEN HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
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TAMSU VIA SWATOW AND AMOY "PROTEUS" SUNDAY, 30th April.
 ANPING VIA SWATOW AND AMOY "B. BJORNSSON" WEDNESDAY, 3rd May.
 C. OLSEN

For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply to **Bradley & Co.**

OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 20th April, 1905.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.
STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS; ALSO LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.
STEAMERS WILL CALL AT GIBRALTAR AND SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS.
N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS	SAILING DATES.
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1905.
 PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH ... WEDNESDAY ... 28th April
 PREUSSEN ... WEDNESDAY ... 10th May
 ROON ... WEDNESDAY ... 24th May
 BAYERN ... WEDNESDAY ... 7th June
 ZIETEN ... WEDNESDAY ... 21st June
 DARMSTADT ... WEDNESDAY ... 5th July
 SACHSEN ... WEDNESDAY ... 19th July
 SCHARNHORST ... WEDNESDAY ... 2nd August
 PRINZ HEINRICH ... WEDNESDAY ... 16th August
 PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH ... WEDNESDAY ... 30th August

ON WEDNESDAY, 26th day of the APRIL, 1905, at Noon, the Steamship "PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH," Captain E. Prehn, with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on MONDAY, the 24th April. Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 25th April, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on TUESDAY, the 25th April.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation, and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses. Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
 For further Particulars, apply to **MELCHERS & CO., AGENTS.**
 Hongkong, 13th April, 1905.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR FRIEDRICH-WILHELMSHAFEN.
HERBERTSROEHE, MATUJI, ERIBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
 On TUESDAY, the 2nd May, 1905, at Noon, the Steamship "PRINZ WALDEMAR," Captain Woltemas, with Mails, Passengers and Cargo, will leave this port as above.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess. Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
 For Further Particulars, apply to **MELCHERS & CO., Agents.**
 Hongkong, 8th April, 1905.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS.

"ARMAND BEHIC."
 Captain Guionnet, will be despatched for MARSEILLES on TUESDAY, the 2nd May, at 1 P.M.

Passage tickets and through Bills of Lading issued for above ports.
 Cargo also booked for principal places in Europe.

Next sailings will be as follows:
 S.S. "DUMBEA" ... 16th May.
 S.S. "ERNEST SIMONS" ... 16th May.
 S.S. "POLYNESIE" ... 13th June.
 G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1905.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
 (Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA &c.)

THE Steamship
"EMPIRE."
 Captain Helms, will be despatched for the above ports on SATURDAY, the 6th May, at Noon.

